



Department of Marine Resources

Application for Municipal Green Crab Exemption 12 M.R.S.A. §6808 subsection 4

Please submit requests directly to:
DMR, Shellfish Management Program, PO Box 8, West Boothbay Harbor, ME 04575

If you have any questions please contact the Regional Biologist responsible for your town:

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To allow time for review, submit requests at least 3 weeks prior to the proposed start date.

12 M.R.S.A. §6808 Commercial green crab only license, subsection 4 web link:

<http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/12/title12sec6808.pdf>

Date of Request:

1. Type (Check): New application: [] Annual renewal: []* Amendment request: []*

*Previous or current Exemption Number:

2. Applicant(s)

Primary exemption holder Name:

Phone(s)/Fax, email address:

Residential Address:

City, State, Zip:

Secondary exemption holder Name:

Phone(s)/Fax, email address:

Residential Address:

City, State, Zip:

3. Fees: There are no fees for this exemption:

4. Briefly describe the purpose of your request (Why):

5. Where:

6. Buoy Color:

7. Dates/Season to be fished:

8. Number of traps proposed:

9. Describe plans for green crabs collected:

Signed _____ Date: _____

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1. **Applicant(s)/Volunteers:** You may request more than one secondary exemption holder name. Exemption holders with volunteers under their direct supervision in the field are always present when using the exemption are not required to provide every volunteers name; only those who would be using the exemptions in the absence of the exemption holder(s). Names may be changed or added during the year by requesting an amendment.
2. **Expiration Date:** this exemption shall expire on or before December 31 of the current calendar year. .
3. **Conditions:**
 - **Marine Patrol** Division I, of Boothbay Harbor, tel. 207-633-9595 or Division II, of Lamoine, tel. 207-667-3373, shall be contacted at least 24 hours prior to start of anticipated activities or season.
 - **Catch:** the green crabs caught under this exemption are for personal use only, and cannot be sold. Except for the green crabs used to bait and re-bait the green crab traps; all green crabs caught should be landed and destroyed.
 - **By-catch Prohibited:** The holder of a commercial green crab exemption may not have aboard a boat used for crab fishing any lobster or lobster parts. Any marine organism caught by a green crab trap other than green crabs shall be immediately liberated at the location of capture.
 - **Trap Design and Marking Requirements:** It shall be unlawful to fish for or take green crabs with a trap constructed with: (1) any opening greater than 1.5" wide, (2) all green crab traps must be equipped with a biodegradable escape panel located next to the bottom edge that has a minimum of 3 ¾" by 3 ¾", (3) gear shall be marked with a buoy that has the owner's green crab exemption number written on it. Trap buoys must be at least 12 inches long and no floating or neutral lines shall be allowed. When fishing green crab traps a 12 inch buoy with the green crab exemption number must be mounted in a manner so that it is clearly visible on both sides of the boat. It shall be unlawful to have on a trawl more than 3 green crab traps one warp and buoy.
 - **Bait:** The type of bait used under this exemption shall comply with statutory and regulation criteria. Green crabs may be used to bait and re-bait green crab traps
 - **Penalty:** Any infraction of these conditions or any violation of any Marine Resources laws shall be grounds for the immediate revocation of this exemption. Pursuant to 12 M.R.S. §6174, an individual who fails to comply with the conditions or limitations on the exempted activity under this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.
 - **Additional** conditions may be added or edited at the discretion of the Commissioner.
 - **Reporting:** reporting is exempted under Chapter 8.20(A)(2) pursuant to 12 M.R.S §6808. To better assess and follow the effort and impacts of predator removal; the department would request the exemption holder to collect and submit green crab landings on a yearly basis. The landings reported may also include other marine organisms caught as by-catch in the green crab traps. Forms are available thru the DMR biologist responsible for your town.

Region 1- Pete Thayer	Region 2 - Hannah Annis	Region 3 - Heidi Leighton
Eliot	Newcastle	Mount Desert
Kittery	Damariscotta	Bar Harbor
York	Bristol	Southwest Harbor
Ogunquit	South Bristol	Swans Island
Wells	Bremen	Gouldsboro
Kennebunk	Waldoboro	Steuben
Kennebunkport	Friendship	Milbridge
Biddeford	Islesboro	Harrington
Scarborough	Searsport	Addison
Cumberland	Stockton Springs	Jonesport
Yarmouth/N Yarmouth	Penobscot	Beals
Chebeague	Brooklin	Jonesboro
Freeport	Deer Isle	Roque Bluffs
Brunswick	Stonington	Machiasport



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Harpswell	Blue Hill	East Machias
West Bath		Cutler
Phippsburg	Regional Committee	Whiting
Georgetown	Cushing	Lubec
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Woolwich	South Thomaston	Pembroke/Perry
Wiscasset	Thomaston	
Westport	Warren	
Regional Committee	Regional Committee	
Boothbay	Franklin	
Boothbay Harbor	Hancock	
Edgecomb	Lamoine	
Southport	Sorrento	
	Sullivan	
	Trenton	